

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In the Application of:** Schnekenburger**Application Serial No:** 10/574,658**Filing Date:** December 29, 2006**Title:** Use of an Intumescent Material and  
Device Having a Material of this Type**Group Art Unit:** 3673**Examiner:** Merlino**Confirmation No.:** 7603**Customer No.:** 30734

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**AMENDMENT**

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 17<sup>th</sup>, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. A request to extend the period for reply for three (3) months has been submitted concurrently herewith.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on Page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on Page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims beginning on Page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on Page 6 of this paper.